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Russian Federation Livestock and Products Method for Calculating Poultry TRQ 2006

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Report Highlights:

On December 21, the Russian Government issued a decree on the method of calculation for distributing the 2007 poultry tariff rate quota (TRQ). The TRQ will be based on the 2006 TRQ distribution, and not on the actual 2006 import levels. New companies which imported out-of-quota in 2006 will also receive TRQ allocations, allotted from the roughly 40,000 tons of increased 2007 TRQ volume.

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Summary

On December 21, 2006, the Russian Government issued a decree on the method of calculation for distributing the 2007 poultry tariff rate quota (TRQ). The quota distribution for poultry was delayed (see GAIN RS6070) as the government debated the calculation method in order not to penalize importers who agreed to voluntarily reduce imports in 2006 due to lower demand resulting from bird flu fears in the spring.

The Russian Federation Decree #776 states that the 2007 poultry TRQ will be based on the 2006 TRQ distribution, and not on actual 2006 import levels. New companies which imported poultry out-of-quota in 2006 will also receive TRQ distribution in 2007, allotted from the roughly 40,000 tons of increased 2007 TRQ volume. However, companies already importing poultry under the TRQ system which imported all of their TRQ and out-of-quota would not be granted any additional quota share in 2007, and their 2007 TRQ allocations would remain at 2006 TRQ distribution levels.

Unofficial Translation of Decree #776

Date: December 21, 2006 Source: Rossiyskaya Gazeta

Title: Russian Federation Decree #776 dated December 20, 2006 "On Amending Clause 4 of Russian Federation Government Decree #732 dated December 5, 2005

The Russian Federation Government hereby decrees:

- 1. Approve attached amendments to clause 4 of Russian Federation Government Decree #732 dated December 5, 2005 "On Imports of Beef, Pork and Poultry Meat in 2006-2009" (Collection of Russian Federation Legislation, 2005, #50, art. 5317).
- 2. The present decree shall come into force on the day of its official publication.

Chairman of the Russian Federation Government

M.Fradkov

Amendments to be introduced to clause 4 of the Russian Federation Government Decree #732 dated December 5, 2005.

- 1. Subclause "a" after words "to the present decree" shall be supplemented with words "(except for licenses on import in 2007 of poultry meat, TN VED code 0207)."
- 2. Subclause "b" after words "until August 1 of the present year" shall be supplemented with words "(except for licenses on the import in 2007 of poultry meat)."
- 3. The clause shall be supplemented with subclauses "c" and "d" containing the following:
 - "c) starting December 20, 2006 to August 1, 2007:

the issuance of licenses for the import of 100% of the volume of poultry meat established for 2006 for importers that imported poultry in 2005 in accordance with customs regime of release for domestic consumption with allocation of the volume of poultry established for 2006 proportionally to the volumes of poultry imported to the customs territory of the Russian Federation by these importers from January 1 to December 31, 2005 except for poultry meat originating from CIS countries

the issuance of licenses for the import of 100% of the volume of poultry meat derived from subtracting the volume of poultry established for 2007 and the volume of poultry established for 2006 for importers that did not import poultry in 2005 and that imported poultry in 2006 in accordance with customs regime of release for domestic consumption proportionally to the volumes of poultry imported to the customs territory of the Russian Federation by these importers from January 1 to December 31, 2006 except for poultry meat originating from CIS countries

d) Starting September 15, 2007 the issuance of licenses for the import of volumes left unused as of August 1, 2007 based on applications from importers who had licenses issued on the import of poultry meat starting August 1, 2007 proportionally to volumes of poultry meat imported by them to the customs territory of the Russian Federation during the period from January 1 to December 31, 2006, except for poultry meat originating from CIS countries."